NEWS LETTER

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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SAVINGS BOND DRIVE UNDER WAY

Last year over 50 per cent of New Jersey state employees enrolled in the U.S. Savings Bond drive--the highest percentage of any state in the union. In recognition of this achievement, President Johnson this year appointed Governor Hughes to serve as Chairman of the State Governors Campaign for state employees and on the National Industrial Payroll Savings Committee.

And Governor Hughes has appointed Commissioner Goldberg as Chairman of the Savings Bond Drive for New Jersey state employees. Needless to say, both Governor Hughes and Commissioner Goldberg want to live up to the responsibility placed in them, and ask you to remember when you are contacted--the money you save will be your own--plus interest! (In fact, the new "Freedom Share" pays more interest than the Series E. Bond.) Ask your solicitor for details.

PROMOTION OPPORTUNITY

The Civil Service Department has several vacancies in its engineering examination staff in Trenton. Interested Assistant and Senior Engineers who have a Bachelor's Degree in engineering should call W. Eugene Beckner, Jr., collect, at 609-292-3057 to arrange for interviews.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

The Automotive Safety Foundation has made available 16 undergraduate scholarships at $500 each for study in Highway Traffic Safety and Administration in the School of Police Administration and Public Safety at Michigan State University. If you're interested, you must act quickly because May 1 is the deadline for applications. If you're interested call Bill Donohue collect immediately. Phone 609-292-5710.

MAJOR MEDICAL REPORT GOT BIG RESPONSE

Nearly a hundred employees from all over the state called for more details on the medical plan which was explained in the last NEWSLETTER. If you have any questions about this, or any other matter, Paul DeHaas is your man. Call him collect at 609-292-3059 any hour of the day or night.

CREDIT UNION OPEN TO ALL EMPLOYEES

The Department's Credit Union has amended its charter so all employees--temporary, too--can join. What are the membership advantages? You can borrow money at reasonable rates. Dividends are paid on shares which you buy. Within certain limitations, loans are insured in the event of death or permanent disability. Members of an employee's family can join, too, buy shares, and borrow to the extent of their dividend-earning savings. Questions? Call the Union Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Phone 609-292-3056.

TWO VETERAN EMPLOYEES RETIRE

Two of the Department's outstanding employees have retired after long and dedicated periods of service. They are Sven I. Hedin, chief bridge engineer, and Edward S. Houghton, supervising engineer of the Northeastern Area of the Bureau of Road Design in the Division of Design. Sven, who is 68, joined the Department in 1928, and subsequently was elevated to Chief Bridge Engineer in 1963. Ed, who was 62 this month, started as a Chainman in 1927 and rose steadily through the ranks. He was placed in charge of design for the Northeast Area last year.

TRADE MAGAZINES TO PUBLISH ARTICLES BY RESEARCHERS

Members of our research staff continue to contribute articles to the trade press. Traffic Engineering Magazine, will feature an article by William T. Baker in its June issue on our State's Milepost System. Bill is a research engineer in the Bureau of Traffic and Safety of the Division of Reasearch and Evaluation. A report by David W. Gwynn, supervisor of the Bureau of Traffic and Safety, on "The Relationship of Accident Rates and Hourly Volumes" is to appear in the July issue of Traffic Quarterly Magazine.

SOME JOTTINGS FROM RIGHT-OF-WAY

A Basic Appraisal course has been completed by 25 of our right-of-way negotiators. Classes were held six hours each Monday for 11 weeks in the Department's Training Center at Scotch Road, Trenton...The American Association of State Highway Officials' Committee on Right-of-Way think so much of our Right-of-Way Division's Negotiator Handbook and Operational Guidelines that it is distributing copies to all other states. Director James V. Hyde, Jr. wrote it.